Office of the Mayor
City and Borough of Juneau
Proclamation

Commemorating Earth Day, Litter Free Juneau and Drive Electric Earth Day April 22, 2023

Whereas, the City and Borough of Juneau (CBJ) is a demonstrated national leader in energy-efficient heating technologies such as the Ted Stevens Marine Research Center seawater heat pump, the Juneau Airport and other public facilities with ground source heat pumps, and community efforts to expand use of air source heat pumps through Alaska Heat Smart; and

Whereas, the CBJ is a demonstrated national leader in electric vehicle adoption through its array of public charging stations and operation of Alaska’s first public transit electric bus with more coming to Capital Transit; and

Whereas, the CBJ has adopted resolutions and is actively executing strategies and goals outlined in our Juneau Climate Action and Implementation Plan and our Juneau Renewable Energy Strategy; and

Whereas, Litter Free Juneau is an annual clean-up Juneau event with hundreds of volunteers who pick-up tons of trash along our streets, public parks, walkways, and highways; and

Whereas, the Downtown Business Association and Juneau Electric Vehicle Association have teamed up to take a historic photo of Juneau EVs parked on South Franklin Street at 8:00 AM on April 22nd during this year’s Litter Free clean-up day; and

Whereas, this local event and participation of the Juneau Electric Vehicle Association is recognized as a Juneau Drive Electric Earth Day event with Plug-in America; and

Whereas, the Juneau Commission on Sustainability recommends that the CBJ put forward a proclamation commemorating the April 22nd Litter Free event as a component of Juneau’s Earth Day celebration with vibrant local support.

Now, therefore, I, Beth A. Weldon, the Mayor of the City and Borough of Juneau, do hereby proclaim: “A Commemoration of Earth Day, Litter Free Juneau, and Drive Electric Earth Day on April 22, 2023”. I ask all residents to consider participating this year in the annual Litter Free Juneau clean-up and electric vehicle commemorative picture on April 22.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereto set my hand and caused the seal of the City and Borough of Juneau, Alaska, to be affixed this 22nd day of April, 2023.

Beth A. Weldon, Mayor